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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action (paper 11) mailed 10 October 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE TITLE

Please amend the title to read as follows: --

NUCLEIC ACID ENCODING PYRUVATE CARBOXYLASE FROM CORYNEFORM GLUTAMICUM --.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Replace the originally filed Specification with the Substitute Specification attached hereto. Also attached hereto is a copy of a marked-up version of the original text. Please delete all prior sequence listings and insert the enclosed sequence listing following the substitute specification and preceding the claims.